REMARKS

Claims 1 through 13 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 4 and 6 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors.

Also in the remarks on page 8 there was a typographical error and should have read as follows:

As recited in claims 4-7, an interlayer is selected in accordance with the fuel electrode substrate and interposed between the electrolyte film and fuel electrode substrate to decrease resistance therebetween. In Badding, an interlayer of cermet is interposed between the fuel electrode and the electrolyte, but Badding does not disclose a relationship between the solid electrolyte material and the interlayer material.

In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicant requests reconsideration and allowance of the claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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